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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Examiners in Optometry
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, June 3, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , Second floor Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	August 4, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Carl Maschauer, Professional Member, President
Dr. Bryan Sterling, Professional Member
Ruth Banta, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Prameela Kaza, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General
Nancy Fields, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Maschauer called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 24, 2010 meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Sterling, seconded by Ms. Banta, to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Applications by Internship

The Board reviewed the application for Dr. Kelly Chambers.

After review, a motion was made by Ms. Banta, seconded by Dr. Sterling, to approve Dr. Chamber's applications to begin her 6-month internship. The motion unanimously carried.

Completion of Internship

The Board reviewed the letters from the supervising doctors dated May 13, 2010 verifying that Dr. Lorna Simmerman completed her 6-month internship on June 3, 2010.

After review, a motion was made by Dr. Maschauer, seconded by Dr. Sterling, to approve Dr. Simmerman's application for a Therapeutic Optometrist license contingent upon receiving a confirmation completion form from the supervisors on June 4, 2010. The motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the letters from the supervising doctors verifying that Dr. Amanda Brandner had completed her 6-month internship on June 3, 2010.

After review, a motion was made by Dr. Sterling, seconded by Ms. Banta, to approve Dr. Brandner's application for a Therapeutic Optometrist license. The motion unanimously carried.

Continuing Education Requests

The Board reviewed and approved the following continuing education credits:

Eye Care of Delaware

Grand Rounds: Interesting Clinical Cases, 2 hours, 4/28/10

Corneal Topography: Pentacam Interpretation, 2 hours, 5/18/10

Nevyas Eye Associates/Delaware Valley Laser Surgery Institute

Diagnosis and Management of Ocular Disease, 8 hours, 5/2/10

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed an inquiry from Chris Mireski regarding Keratoconus. Dr. Maschauer requested that the reply referred him to 7.1.3 and 7.2.2.1 in the Rules and Regulations under minimum standards of practice.

The Board reviewed a memo from Dr. Jack Terry at NBEO regarding a security breach during an exam and that test scores would be held until the investigation was completed.

The Board reviewed a letter from Dr. Thomas Bastholm regarding the use of the term "board certified" and asked if Optometrists can call themselves "board certified". The Board has discussed this issue in the past and has agreed that it should be addressed by clarifying that the Delaware State Board of Examiners in Optometry does not offer "certification" licensees, the national organizations do not "board certify", and Optometrists should follow Rules 8.5 and 8.11.

Mr. Maschauer will create a mass message to send to the licensees regarding using the term "board certified" since there is a misunderstanding of the use of the term and a concern among licensees.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 28, 2010 at 4:30 pm; however, due to a continued Board member vacancy and the possibility of not having a quorum, the Board considered rescheduling the meeting for August 3rd or 4th. Ms. Fields will check to see if a Conference Room is available and notify members.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Banta, seconded by Dr. Sterling, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy L. Fields". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nancy Fields
Administrative Specialist II